Repair of Ring Road

1265. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that Mahatama Gandhi Road i.e. Ring Road of Delhi is lying damaged covering wider spaces:

(b) if so, details of affected sections of this road;

(c) whether Government propose to undertake some programmes to get the damaged portion repaired within some time bound period to save the road users from imminent accidents;

(d) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor ;

(c) whether Government also propose to issue some instructions to ensure repair of Ring Road within some time bound period as and when such damage is caused by any Government agency of Delhi; and

(f) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor '?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (.SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) According to information received from National Capital Territory of Delhi, the entire Ring Road is being maintained in traffic worthy condition.

(c) and (d) During 1993-94 the following reaches are proposed to be improved :

(i) From inter-section of Bhairon Road upto Rajghat.

(ii) From Azadpur inter-section up to road No. 41 inter-section.

(iii) Raja Garden to Punjabi Bagh.

(iv) Bhairon Road to Ashram.

(e) and (f) As per existing instructions, the road is to be repaired as soon as some damage occurs due to rains, road cutting, settlement or accidents.

losses incurred by undertaking under Ministry of Surface Transport

1266. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: WiU the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether some undertakings under his Ministry have been incurring financial losses regularly for the last three years;

(b) if so, details thereof separately by each such undertaking year-wise;

(c) whether Government proposes to take some steps to ensure improvement in their working checking further losses; and

(d) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The firiancial losses incurred by some Undertakings under the Ministry of Surface Transport during the las three years are as under :

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	Name of the Undertaking	Loss incurred during		
		1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1.	Indian Road Construction Corporation	36.47	31.43	30.07
2.	Delhi Transport Corporation	448.02	645.51	849.32
3.	Hindustan Shipyard Ltd.	79.03	78.56	104.11
4.	Cochin Shipyard Ltd.	27.71	20.97	14.91
5.	Hooghly Duck & Port Engineers Ltd.	4.19	5.26	6.33
6.	Central Inland Water Transport Corporation	14.92	23.92	23.46

(c) and (d) The following steps are being taken/have been taken for improvement in the Undertakings: -

(*I*) *Indian Road Construction Corporation*

During 1992-93, the Government has succeeded in retrieving approxi' mately US$ 14 million (Rs. 42 crores) out of the outstanding dues of 1RCC from Libya. In addition, IRCC is diversifying into other related activities, such as commercial use of land and real estate development and consultancy services. On successful completion of these projects which are under process, IRCC is likely to become financially viable.

(ii) *Delhi Transport Corporation*

The Government are finalising an inter-connected package for the rehabilitation of DTC to ensure its long term viability. The main suggestions under consideration are :—

(a) Reduction of surplus manpower:

(b) Rationalising size of the fleet of Delhi Transport Corporation to 3500 buses;

(c) Withdrawal from loss making routes;

(d) Capital restructuring of DTC;

(e) Reimbursement by Government of the losses incurred on account of concessional passes;

(f) Commercial development of DTC's depots;

(g) Improved efficiency of operations by lowering cost through better fleet utilisation and improved maintenance practices.

(Hi), (iv) & (v) *Hindustan Shipyard Ltd. Cochin Shipyard Ltd. and Hooghly Dock & Port Engineers Ltd.*

(a) A proposal for capital restructuring of HSL & CSL involving conversion of loan into equity, write-off of interest and penal interest, reimbursement of cash losses etc. is under consideration.

(b) In respect of HSL & CSL revision of prices of buflc carriers and crude oil tankers constructed/being constructed for delivery to SCI is under consideration.

(c) A comprehensive proposal for providing a package of relief to shipbuilding industry in general and HSL & CSL in. particular involving revision

of the pricing formula extension of yard credit on soft terms to the shipping companies placing orders on Indian yards is under consideration.

(vi) Central Inland Water Transport Corporation

With a view to improving the performance and the viability of the Company's operations the following measures have been taken by the Government:—

(a) Modernisation of the fleet by acquisition of 63 new vessels
* at a cost of Rs. 68.80 crores on replacement account was approved by the Government under the 7th Plan scheme.

(b) Modernisation of the ship repair facilities of RBD of the Corporation has been sanction-
' ed at a cost of Rs. 71.34 crores in December, 1992.

(c) A Voluntary Retirement Scheme has been approved with a view to offload the surplus manpower.

Registration of Indian Ships Abroad

1267. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian shipping companies have sought registration of Indian ships abroad;

(b) if so, whether Government have granted permission; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The Indian Shipping industry has sought suitable amendment in the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 in order to give powers to Central Government to permit registration of Indian owned ships abroad. This is with a view to facilitate raising of funds from abroad.

(b) and (c) According to expert legal opinion, if an Indian company acquires a ship in a foreign country with foreign loan and registers the ship in that country, it will remain a foreign ship and not an Indian ship. Therefore, it will not be obligatory on the company to register such a ship under the Merchant Shipping Act.

दिल्ली परिवहन निगम की बस रूट गाईड

1268. **श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल** : क्या जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सच है कि दिल्ली परिवहन निगम की बस रूट गाईड पिछले कई वर्षों से प्रकाशित नहीं हुई है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में विलम्ब के क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) बस रूट गाईड को कौन-कौन सी भाषाओं में प्रकाशित किया जाना होता है ?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदीश टाईटलर) : (क) से (ग) दिल्ली परिवहन निगम की अन्तिम रूट गाईड फरवरी, 1990 में प्रकाशित की गई थी। यह रूट गाईड दो भाषाओं अर्थात् अंग्रेजी व हिन्दी में प्रकाशित की जाती है।

दिल्ली में प्री-पेड टैक्सी और टी०एस०आर० सेवा

1269. **श्री मौलाना अबैदुल्ला खान आजमी** : क्या जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :